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From:	Meghan Stapleton [meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent:	Friday, March 30, 2007 7:09 PM
To:	'Sarah Palin'
Cc:	'Michael A Tibbles'; 'Joe Balash'; 'Sharon Leighow'; meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us; 'Kris Perry'; 'Tom Irwin'
Subject:	NOME NUGGET HEADS-UP!
Importance:	High

Governor,

Tomorrow you have an interview with the Nome Nugget and KNOM, as we discussed yesterday.

Diana (pronounced Dee-anna) Haecker with the Nugget wants to really focus on one topic for the interview - the Rock Creek mine. A briefing paper on Rock Creek is attached.

Essentially, Diana says that the state didn't listen to the residents and they have many worries. She'd like to have trust and faith in the state and be able to communicate that trust and faith to Nome's area residents that this Governor will listen and ensure that her departments will listen to concerns. She is a traditional village journalist in that of course there is a passion and a side to every story that swing toward the villagers.

I believe that while the details of the mine may be asked, your responses simply need to convey your passion for listening to the state's people and making the best decisions that you can based on the best interests of the state and its people. You campaigned on openness and transparency and want the people of Alaska to participate in the process so that their voices are heard. This is the first step and you'd like to listen and will listen during your term in office.

Dan Saddler prepared the briefing paper along with others listed at the bottom. They are each available to talk to you about the topic. You may also want to talk to Commissioner Irwin to just get his views - he is unaware of

the focus of this interview at this point in time. (I am cc:ing him so that he is aware.)

In terms of whether the state listened, Dan Saddler says that the Privileged or P Privileged or Personal Material Redacted . corps didn't have to do EIS - did an abbreviated version so not as much public stuff was required. (Keep in mind, Diana says that the last time they saw a Governor in Nome, Murkowski yelled at a resident and said that if "you don't like my decisions, run for office!" Diana has a picture of Murkowski yelling at the resident - the wounds are still raw.)

With this mining company, I'm told there are Privileged or Personal Material Reda Privileged or Per. However, Joe Balash says that the CEO and President of Nova is Rick Van Neuwenhuyse--a graduate of West High in Anchorage. He is an Alaskan, even though he lives in Vancouver now. The manager at the mine was trained by Commissioner Tom Irwin at Ft. Knox in Fairbanks.

Additionally, Joe wanted to point out that the mine will employ roughly 135 people. The best antidote to alcohol/drug abuse (which leads to neglect/abuse of children) is a good job. Perhaps you'd like to say something along the lines of "the best social welfare program is a good job." Jobs at the mine are well-paying and Nova has invested time and resources in local training to make sure they have a local workforce. These people are going to be able to work a full shift and go home to their own beds and families.

The concerns for the villagers revolves around - what if... what if the salmon are impacted.. what if the dust is constant. We need to show that we'll be there to listen.

The interview is at 3:30pm - as your schedule shows.

I will provide a final briefing book for you at the airport tomorrow.

Thanks,

Meg

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From: Governor Sarah Palin [governor@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2007 2:44 PM
To: fishingjobs@aol.com
Subject: RE: Boards_and_Commissions

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you

have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and

every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person

in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2007 5:21 PM

To: governor@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: Boards_and_Commissions

Web mail from: Ms. Victoria Raustein

address: POB 574 King Salmon AK 99613

MESSAGE:

Gov. Palin:

I am making a last minute appeal for you to choose Mr. Webster, set net permit and Board of Fish

candidate from King Salmon, as your appointee for the Board of Fish.

I have found Mr. Webster to be fair minded, even when you do not agree with him, open to suggestion and

some one who supports the resource of salmon fishing in the state. He understands the multiply sides

needed to serve well and contribute to the overall welfare of our resource, throughout the state.

He does not take a "one gear type" stand on issues, as I have observed him in committee meetings at the

Board of Fish.

He is well rounded in the concerns of those who rely on fishing but do not fish. He is well acquainted

with borough and state government workings. I believe you could not do better to pick this independent

but opened minded man for the Board of Fish and do much to assist the 'east side' of Bristol Bay feel

that they can contribute to the overall well being of our salmon fishing resource!

Thank you for your time and service,

Victoria Raustein

Permit Holder - Bristol Bay

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2007 6:19 AM
To: Lloyd; Denby S (DFG)
Subject: RE: North Pacific Council Visit

Thanks Denby. Enjoy today!

Sarah Palin

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From: "Denby Lloyd"<denby_lloyd@fishgame.state.ak.us>

To: "'Sarah Palin'"<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Sent: 3/30/07 4:53 AM

Subject: North Pacific Council Visit

Governor:

Thank you for stopping by the North Pacific Council meeting yesterday. It was good to see you; it was good for you to be seen. You are indeed your own best ambassador.

Take care, DL.

Denby S. Lloyd

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2007 5:29 AM
To: Meghan N Stapleton; Spencer; Kari L (GOV); Kristina Y Perry; Frye; Ivy J (GOV); Michael A Tibbles
Subject: Whs basketball

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From: Kari Spencer [kari_spencer@gov.state.ak.us]

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To: 'Kristina Y Perry'; gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Todd Palin; Gary R Wheeler; Cooper; George F (DPS); John S Stephenson; Tom Irwin; 'Tina Bosela'; 'Sharon Busch'; 'Andy Mills'; 'Joe Balash'; 'Martha Fischbach'

Subject: Gov Palin DNR Com Tom Irwin-visit to Brw on Apr 2 2007-Draft Itinerary-03 29 07

Attached is the schedule for Barrow from the North Slope Borough's office. They have put together a terrific schedule and briefing paper. Kari.

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From: Ivy Frye [Ivy_Frye@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2007 7:51 AM
To: Sarah Palin
Subject: RE: Whs basketball

Show up to their assembly to present them with an award/proclamation from the governor? Host a private dinner for them (with an entourage their for you, of course)at Evangelo's or something like that? Place a congratulatory message in the Frontiersman?

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To: Sarah Palin; 'Michael Tibbles'; Mike Nizich; Sharon Leighow; Meghan Stapleton
Subject: Rupe Andrews

Rupe stepped down from the Board of Fish b/c of his cancer. Governor Palin filled his vacancy with Larry Edfelt on March 8.

Pioneer biologist left legacy in Alaska resource management

Rupe Andrews dies at 77 after a lifetime of work for environment

Longtime Juneau resident and pioneering Alaska fisheries biologist Rupe Andrews, 77, died at home Wednesday due to complications from colon cancer.
"He was just an old-time Alaskan that loved Alaska and the spirit that was in this state," said his son, Brian Andrews.
Rupe Andrews stepped down from the Alaska Board of Fisheries on March 1.
Born Sept. 18, 1929, in New Haven, Conn., he moved to Alaska in 1959 and became one of the first biologists in the sport fish division of the newly formed Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Before retiring in 1982, he spent 13 years as director of the division.
Bob Thorstenson, president of the United Fishermen of Alaska, said Andrews had a balanced perspective when it came to resource management and always kept in mind the needs of all user groups.
"He was one of the stalwarts of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game for decades," Thorstenson said. "He was a part of the team that brought 20th century and 21st century fish and wildlife management to the pinnacle of success in Alaska."
He called Andrews one of the finest men ever to work on state resource issues.
"He thought first and foremost for the people and the resources of Alaska," Thorstenson said. "He was just an absolute class act, and we are just heartbroken and saddened that we weren't able to spend more time with him."
He lived for public service, said daughter-in-law Joyce Andrews.
"Alaska was just such a huge part of who he was," she said. "He was part of Alaska, but Alaska was part of him."
In addition to the Board of Fisheries, Andrews also served on the Alaska Board of Forestry, the Alaska Trails and Recreation Commission, and spent eight years on the public advisory group to the Exxon Valdez Board of Trustees. He also spent nearly a decade as a field representative for the National Rifle Association for Alaska.
Andrews also was a board member of Cancer Connection at the time of his death. The organization is sponsoring a Men's Health Forum on colon cancer Wednesday, at Centennial Hall.
"He fought to the end, and he was a true champion of commercial and sport and subsistence fishing and guided fishing and hunting," Thorstenson said.

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